

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 420

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to name a segment of State Route 57 in Hardin County in honor of the late Paul D. Callens.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges to honor those exemplary public servants who, during their lifetimes, contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean is more deserving of this honor than the late Paul D. Callens, one of Hardin County's finest citizens; and

WHEREAS, few people have touched as many lives as Mr. Callens, a gentleman who attained excellence both as a public servant and a human being; and

WHEREAS, Paul D. Callens was born in Pickwick Dam, Tennessee, on January 20, 1943, and he passed away on January 14, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Paul D. Callens worked tirelessly to develop the Pickwick area; he was a man of vision who helped make Pickwick the great place that it is today; and

WHEREAS, Paul D. Callens was an exemplary public servant who invested in the quality of life for area residents and business owners by supporting the District 3 Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Paul D. Callens was a strong supporter of education for our children through his gifts to Pickwick Southside School; and

WHEREAS, Paul D. Callens embodied the best Pickwick has to offer: reliability, honesty, integrity, and incredible foresight; and

WHEREAS, Paul D. Callens dedicated his life to promoting Pickwick, and his efforts led to the creation of many jobs and encouraged entrepreneurship among area residents; and

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Board of Commissioners has petitioned this Body to name a certain segment of State Route 57 near Pickwick to honor Mr. Callens' memory and to permanently commemorate his bountiful life of purpose and commitment to the greater good; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly concurs with this excellent proposal; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the segment of State Route 57 from its intersection with State Route 128 and Carolina Lane at Pickwick Landing State Park in Hardin County to the Tennessee - Mississippi state boundary is hereby designated the "Paul D. Callens Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and accomplished human being.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Route 57 described in the first resolving clause as the "Paul D. Callens Memorial Highway".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the Federal Highway Administrator advises the Commissioner of Transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of such signs is paid to the department of transportation by Hardin County within one (1) year of the effective date of this resolution. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to Hardin County within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in such costs shall be remitted to the department by Hardin

County within thirty (30) days of the county receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appellation the "Paul D. Callens Memorial Highway" provided for in this resolution is for honorary purposes only and nothing contained herein shall be construed as requiring the alteration of any address, or the governmental system for assigning addresses, in any county, municipality or other governmental entity affected by this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing contained in this resolution shall be construed as requiring the alteration of any previously named segment or segments of, or bridges on, any highway described in this resolution as the "Paul D. Callens Memorial Highway."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.